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The Hour Before Dawn.

The latest September days had come in all their perfection—days when the pure cool air seemed like an elixer of life and youth—when there was the first suggestions of the exquisitely sad days of the dying summer time in the hazy, red gold atmosphere that hung silently over the hill tops, and brooded like some palpable blessing over lowland and lawn.

Blanche Carroll sat on the low doorstep of the farm house, that had been her home that summer, looking out through the twilight with wistful eyes that were blue as heaven's dome.—Thinking—always thinking, it seemed to her, since those other days, not yet a year gone by, when, instead of being what she was now, Mrs. Pemberton's half assistant in the duties of the family—half sister, daughter and friend—whatever one chooses to call the intimate relation that existed between them—when, instead of this, she had been belle and heiress, whose sway was undisputed, whose reign had been as magnificently triumphant as its sudden ending had been pitifully sharp and bitter.

She had never, in all her eighteen years of gay, joyous life, known what it meant to have a wish ungratified—a want, however imaginary, unfulfilled.

There had never been any lack of ready money; there had been horses, and carriages, and servants at the girl's signal, and trips to the continent whenever the fancy seized her.

Then had come the terrible financial earthquake, and a week after, Blanche Carroll learned from the lips of her distracted father, that everything must go, even to her jewels and laces, and costly little elegancies, so that his name would not be dishonored for the first time in his life.

A week after that day, which had seemed the most dreadful of all possible days, some one had come to her and added the very blackness of darkness to her woe by telling her how Mr. Carroll was found dead in his office chair—appoplexy or paralysis—which was not yet decided. Blanche almost collapsed under the second blow. Never having remembered her mother, she had loved her father with double intensity. And when he was dead and buried, the world yawned before her, with no protecting arm between her and it—when there did not remain a hundred pounds in all the wide world she could call her own.

Poor Blanche!

And yet it was not the very worst. The worst of all was Elmer Westcourt's defection, with scores of those whom she had implicitly believed were best, truest, dearest—others whose defection hurt her for the time, but whom she learned she could readily exist without.

But Elmer Westcourt. He had been all that was most noble, most perfect, and grandest in masculine human nature. To him she had looked with almost the reverence of a devotee to her patron saint.

His physical beauty had commanded her passionate admiration, his qualities of mind had called out all her keenest approbation, and his peculiarly masterful way had taught the girl for the first time in her life, how sweet it was to be governed.

There had never been an engagement between them, and yet Blanche had been so positively sure he loved her.

She had seen it in his eyes, time and again. She had more than once listened to sweet, suggestive words he had spoken in his low thrilling voice. She had, with good reason, built the most beautiful castles of their future together, and had been only waiting his pleasure to speak, when her trouble come to her.

And, with all other summer friends, he too, had left her, without a word, without a sign, to think what she chose, to suffer or not, as the case might be. Then, in her distress, her sorely wounded pride, her desolation of soul, Blanche had rushed away from London—away up among the cool, green hills of Cumberland, where she was not mistaken in supposing she had one friend left—Mrs. Pemberton, who, although personally a stranger to her, Blanche knew had been a dear warm friend in girlhood days of her dead mother.

And so it came to pass that Blanche Carroll made her home in the tenant farm house, where, with light, womanly duties, and pleasant responsibilities, she was bravely striving to forget her bitter past, and the sound of Elmar Westcourt's voice, and the look in his eyes.

She was thinking of all this as she sat in the twilight, that cool, breezy September night, and into the beautiful blue eyes had come such a wistfulness and heart-sick woe, that dear Mrs. Pemberton, looking up from her knitting, saw the misery.

'It will never, never do,' she said, energetically—so much so that her kindly, emphatic tones, brought a sudden dash of color to Blanche's face. 'It will never do—the way you allow yourself to brood on things that you can't help. I am really delighted to think John will be home so soon. He will take you in charge, and make you give up these useless memories which only seem to make you miserable. Such a dear, blessed old boy as my John is, Blanche, and so handsome! Why, I confidently expect it will be a mutual affinity, you and he, unless he has lost his heart abroad, this year he has been to Germany.'

A case of affinity for her! Blanche felt a thrill of sick pain Mrs. Pemberton had never imagined her words had caused, for, although she knew there was a love story entangled somehow with Blanche's old life, the girl had been proudly reticent of particulars, or Elmer Westcourt's name.

Mrs. Pemberton talked so much, so often of her darling, 'her blessed boy,' her only son, John, who, to her, fulfilled every dream of manly excellence and perfection. And Blanche used to wonder often what the quiet home would be like when Mrs. Pemberton's son came into it. She used to wonder how it would be possible for her to endure the presence of any one who would in any way remind her of man's perfidy and heartlessness.

But if their lives—her life—was to be invaded by a man. Well, after a time she grew to be ashamed of her morbid cowardice of feeling, and resolved, with a stern determination that was pitiful, that John Pemberton—an odd, strengthful name it was to her—should not interfere with the duties of the quiet life she had chosen, and which, although she was hardly conscious of it, was leaving its impression on her discipline and patience, and nobility on her nature.

Nevertheless, the pain—the very bitterness of woe—was not removed. Her father's death she could, in the ordinary healing course of nature, have got over. Loss of wealth, position, and summer friends, would, after a time, have been as a trifle to her.

But Elmer Westcourt's defection! So long as she lived, it would hurt her with that keen, sick pain, which some women do suffer—women with great purity and trust of nature, who can no more imagine deceit and cruelty in one they love than themselves are capable of it. Truly it was her darkest hour.

To her, Elmer Westcourt would always be the one who had power to touch her heart. To her he would always be beloved, though not the lover—the one above all others, although unworthy, strangely paradoxical as it was.

So Blanche tried her best and bravest to enter into Mrs. Pemberton's spirit of welcome for her son. She beautified his room, that for more than a year had stood alone in its unoccupancy. She baked delicious cakes, and arranged toothsome bills of fare, and went through the whole house, leaving everywhere the impression of her artistic touch, that delighted Mrs. Pemberton so thoroughly.

'John will appreciate it so, bless his dear heart. Blanche, I never wanted anything in all my life as I do my boy. And do, Blanche, make him feel, so far as you are concerned, welcome, will you?'

Up in her room, hours after, Blanche remembered particularly what dear old Mrs. Pemberton had said about her contributing her share towards welcoming and pleasing the coming guest, and as she stood before the glass, brushing out the long, lustrous hair, that was full of gleams of sunshine, she thought how far past the time it was when she could be a pleasure or a pride to any one.

She thought how worn out she had grown to be, how aged and old-womanish her fierce, ceaseless fight with fate had left her, and she smiled wearily at the idea of her being even thought of when John Pemberton came.

I think Blanche really thought it was so—that she was worn and faded, when, instead of old-time radiant, sparkling beauty, she saw a sweet, subdued, serious loveliness, which others recognized and admired, if she did not.

She had never, in all her flush of beauty, wealth and happiness, made a fairer picture than she looked that day, after she had dressed for Mrs. Pemberton's son's home coming.

She wore white, with delicate blue ribbons, and her lovely hair was piled high on her head in a golden confusion of flossy puffs, tender rings, and very glossy braids.

It seemed strange to Blanche that she could not possibly take an interest in the coming of this gentleman—she who not so very long ago, had so thoroughly enjoyed a flirtation. She wondered why, in spite of herself, she was so listlessly indifferent, and honestly tried to catch the infection of Mrs. Pemberton's excitement of joy.

The old lady had put on her best dress—a rich, rustling silk—to do honor to her son's coming, and Blanche thought, as she went into her parlor, that she had never seen a sweeter tableau of placid, aged beauty, and happy old days, than Mrs. Pemberton offered, in her lace cap and gray puffs, and pale face lighted by such glad eyes.

'How your son ought to worship such a mother!' she said, with a warmly graceful little impulsiveness—a characteristic of orher days, to which she seldom gave way now.—'Mr. Pemberton surely does—'

Mrs. Pemberton jumped up from her chair at the sound of carriage wheels at the door.

'He has come! Oh, Blanche! But whatever possessed you to think his name was Pemberton? Why, John is my first husband's son!'

And Blanche slipped out of the back door as the gentleman came in the front one—went away up stairs again, leaving mother and son to the sweet sacredness of their glad meeting.

In all her life, Blanche had never felt so lonely as in that half hour she spent up stairs, knowing how entirely forgotten she was. She was not selfish either, but it seemed as if all the trouble she had ever known came surging its waves of keen remembrance over her.

She realized as she had never done before how pitifully alone she was in the world, and then in the midst of harrowing thoughts, the tears that had left her heart but had not yet reached her sweet sad eyes, into the midst of the desolation of her young life, came Mrs. Pemberton's voice, quick, glad, exultant, as she called from the foot of the stairs:

'Blanche, Blanche, do come down! There's a mystery I can't quite understand. Come here!'

And Blanche, half smiling at the dear old lady's pardonable excitement, went quietly, promptly, to be presented to her son.

Mrs. Pemberton caught her by both hands, to drag her per force to her parlor.

'It beats all I ever did hear of! I never was so—'

Just then a tall handsome gentleman came through the parlor door, with quick, eager steps, and Blanche looked and saw Elmer Westcourt.

'Blanche Carroll! My darling, whom I thought I had lost until a few minutes ago! Blanche, my love!'

And the girl stood looking at him, clutching Mrs. Pemberton's hand in a vice-like grip, that was chill as death, her face pale as her dress, her eyes full of mingled piteous bewilderment, and wondering clouded doubt, and mute ecstacy.

'To think I never once thought of telling you that John's name was Westcourt! You see I always call him John, although Elmer is prettier, and he has an equal right to it, it being his middle name. And to think—well, I'm clean beat!'

And Mrs. Pemberton sank down in the hall chair, and wiped her eyes and glasses while Mr. Westcourt took Blanche in his arms and kissed her, and hastily explained what she did not fully understand till later—how he had written to her in the hour of his sudden, imperative departure abroad—how he had sent her letter after letter, and how he conshe had done with him.

And they both knew that Blanche's equally sudden removal from her old home, and her self selected retirement to the country, had been sufficient reason why she had never received what would have changed all her life for her.

But the sunshine was come at last—the glad, bright sunshine, that was all the better for the dark weather that had so long hidden it. And Blanche's life blossomed out anew, under the radiant influences of love and hope.

Our Indebtedness.

A Bill to Compromise, Commute and Settle the State Debt.

Section, 1. The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

That when any person or persons, holding and owning any bond or bonds of the State of North Carolina, issued in pursuance of any act of Assembly, passed at any time before the 20th day of May, 1864; or in pursuance of the act of the General Assembly, passed at its session in 1865, it being chapter three of the laws of 1865; or in pursuance of an act passed by the General Assembly at its session in 1867, it being chapter fifty-six of the laws of 1867; or in pursuance of an ordinance of the convention of 1868, it being chapter nineteen, these being bonds issued for the Chatham Railroad company; or in pursuance of an ordinance of the same convention, chapter twenty, these being bonds issued to the Wilmington and Tarboro Railroad company, or in pursuance of an act, entitled "an act to provide for the payment of the State debt contracted before the war," ratified on the 10th day of March, 1860; or in pursuance of an act, entitled "an act to provide for funding the matured interest on the public debt," ratified the 10th day of August, A. D. 1868; or any registered certificate or certificates belonging to the board of education, issued in pursuance of an act of the General Assembly of 1867, shall surrender and deliver such bond or bonds with the coupons attached thereto, or registered certificate or certificates to the treasurer of the State, then, and in that case, it shall be the duty of the treasurer of the State, and he is hereby required to issue and deliver to the person surrendering such bond or bonds, certificate or certificates, a new bond or bonds of the State, due and payable thirty years from the first day of July, A. D., 1880, bearing interest at the rate of 4 per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually, on the first day of January and July, in each successive year, at the office of the public Treasurer.

Sec. 2. The said bonds are to be coupon bonds of the denomination of fifty dollars, one hundred dollars, five hundred dollars and one thousand dollars, and are to be numbered from one upwards, in accordance with the order of issue. They shall be signed by the Governor and treasurer, and sealed with the great seal of the State; but the coupons thereon may be signed by the Treasurer alone, or have a fac simile of his signature printed, engraved or lithographed thereon.

Sec. 3. The said bonds shall be exempt from all State or county or corporate taxation or assessment, direct or indirect, general or special whether imposed for the purpose of general revenue or otherwise. The said coupons shall be receivable in payment of any and all State taxes, and the same shall be expressed on the face of each coupon; the coupons shall bear the same number as the bonds to which they are attached, and in addition be numbered from one upwards, in accordance with the date of the maturity.

Sec. 4. These bonds shall be exchanged for the old bonds of the State, mentioned in the first section of this act, at the following rates:

Class 1. For the bonds issued before the 20th day of May, 1861, 40 per cent. of the principal of the bond or bonds so surrendered.

Class 2. For the bonds issued since the close of the war, by authority of acts passed before the war to aid in the construction of the Western North Carolina Railroad, and the bonds issued in pursuance of the said act of Assemby of 1865, chapter three, and act of Assembly of 1867, chapter fifty-six, and the said Chatham Railroad bonds issued in pursuance of an ordinance of the convention of 1868, chapter nineteen, and the said Williamston and Tarboro Railroad bonds issued in pursuance of an ordinance of the convention of 1868, the bonds issued October first, 1861, by authority of act of 1860 and 1861, chapter 137, for Western (Coalfield) Railroad, the bonds issued October first, 1861, by authority of act of 1854–'55, chapter 228, section thirty-five, and resolution September 12th, 1861, and the said registered certificates of the literary fund, 25 per cent. of the principal of the bonds or certificates so surrendered.

Class 3. For the bonds issued July 1st, 1862, by authority of act of 1860–'61, chapter 143, for the construction of the Wilmington, Charlotte & Rutherford Railroad, and those issued in pursuance of the said funding acts of March 10th, 1866, and August 20th, 1868, fifteen per cent. of the principal of the bond or bonds so surrendered.

Sec. 5. The bonds so to be issued shall be in the usual form of bonds of this State, except as modified and provided by this act, and shall have printed on the face of the same the words, "issued in pursuance of an act entitled an act to compromise commute and settle the State debt," ratified the —— day of —— A. D. 1879, and in large red letters, "The consolidated debt of the State."

Sec. 6. That all State taxes levied and collected from professions, trades, incomes, merchants, dealers in cigars, or three-fourths of all the taxes collected from wholesale and retail dealers in spiritnous, vinous and malt liquors, shall be held and applied to the payment of the interest on said bonds, and the provisions of this section shall be deemed and taken to be a material part of the consideration for which the bonds of the State shall or may be surrendered.

Sec. 7. That if the whole fund raised by such taxes shall not in any one year be required to pay such accruing interest, then and in that case it shall be the duty of the treasurer, with the sanction of the Governor and the auditor, to buy with the surplus such of the consolidated bonds as he can buy at the lowest price after thirty days advertisement in at least two papers published in Raleigh, and he shall forthwith cancel any such bonds so purchased.

Sec. 8. That the Treasurer shall provide a substantial bound book for the purpose, in which he shall make a correct descriptive list of the bonds so surrendered, which list shall embrace the number, date and amount of each, and the purpose for which the same was issued, when this can be ascertained, and the name of the person surrendering the same, and after such list shall be made, such surrendered bonds being ascertained to be present, shall be consumed by fire in the presence of the Governor, the Treasurer, the Auditor, the Attorney-General, the Secretary of State and Superintendent of Public Instruction, who shall each certify under his hand respectively in such book that he saw such described bonds so consumed and destroyed.

Sec. 9. That the Treasurer shall provide a well bound book in which shall be kept an accurate account and descriptive list of the new bonds to be issued, and such descriptive list shall embrace the date, number and amount of such bond or bonds, for which the same issued and the name of the person to whom issued.

Sec. 10. That it shall be lawful for any executor, administrator, guardian, director of any corporation, and any and all other persons acting in a fiduciary capacity, holding bonds of the State, to make the exchange provided in this act, and they shall be absolved from all liability on account of said exchange.

Sec. 11. The provisions of this act for the exchange and issue of bonds shall continue in force until the 1st day of January, A. D., 1882.

Sec. 12. That as a further provision for the purpose of paying the interest on these said new bonds, if the taxes for any one year upon the subjects of taxation hereinbefore mentioned, shall be insufficient to pay said interest, then and in that case the Public Treasurer shall be authorized to apply any funds in the treasury not otherwise appropriated to that purpose.

Sec. 13. That in the event that the taxes collected in any one year, upon the aforesaid subjects of taxation, and the funds not otherwise appropriated in the treasury when added together shall be inadequate to pay said interest, then and in that case; and in order to provide for the deficiency, the Public Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to issue coupon bonds of this State of the denomination of five hundred dollars, bearing date of the first day of October or April of the year of the issue, according as the one or the other of said dates shall be nearest in point of time to the date of the issue. Said bonds shall be payable forty years after date, but redeemable after ten years, at the option of the State, with the interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually on the first days of April and October. Said bonds shall bear upon their face in red letters, the words, "Contingent Bonds," and shall be numbered from one upwards in accordance with the order of their issue. They shall be signed by the Governor and Treasurer and sealed with the great seal of the State, but the coupons thereon may be signed by the Treasurer alone, or have a *fac simile* of his signature printed, engraved or lithographed thereon. The said bonds and coupons shall be exempt from all State, county or corporative taxation or assessment, direct or indirect, general or special, whether imposed for purposes of general revenue or otherwise, and they shall be lawful investments by all executors, administrators, guardians and fiduciaries generally. The coupons on said bonds shall bear the same number as the bonds to which they are attached, and shall in addition be numbered from one upwards in accordance with the date of their maturity, and they shall be, and shall so express upon their face, that they are receivable at and after maturity in payment of all taxes, debts, demands and dues to the State, of every nature and kind whatsoever.

Sec. 14. That the Public Treasurer shall be authorized to sell so many of said bonds at par as shall be necessary to provide for the deficiencies aforesaid: *Provided, however,* That the Public Treasurer shall not issue and sell in the aggregate more than six hundred of these bonds.

Sec. 15. That all the provisions of this act for paying the interest on the consolidated bonds shall apply as well to the payment of the interest on these said contingent bonds.

Sec. 16. That for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this act in relation to the furnishing of proper blank bonds and coupons, the Public Treasurer is authorized with the approval of the Governor, to use any funds not otherwise appropriated in the treasury, not exceeding the sum of five thousand dollars.

Sec. 17. That the Public Treasurer is authorized to give public notice of this plan for a settlement of the State's indebtedness by advertising in such newspapers as he may select.

Sec. 18. This act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Except in the neighborhood of Belfast, Ireland is essentially an agricultural country, almost the only manufacturing industry being that of flour milling, and even that bids fair to be greatly interfered with by importations of American and Canadian flour.

As another sign of returning prosperity, the mills of the Atlantic Delaine Company, near Providence, R. I., which have been idle for several years past, and regarded as absolutely unsaleable, were sold at auction recently for $300,000.

There are thirty-seven mines in the Lake Superior copper regions, producing 20,000 tons of copper in excess of the producing of former years. The Beola Mining Company employs 2,000 men, producing last year 12,500 tons of refined copper, worth $4,000,000. This company has divided nearly $15,000,000 in dividends since it was formed.

Justice's Criminal Jurisdiction.

THE ACT AS PASSED FEB. 26, 1879.

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT TO DEFINE THE CRIMINAL JURISDICTION OF JUSTICES OF THE PEACE.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

Section 1. Justices of the Peace shall have exclusive original jurisdiction to hear, try, and determine the offences enumerated in sections 43, 85, 112, 116, 117, 120 and 289, of chapter 32, of Battle's Revisal, as amended by chapter 176 of the laws of 1872–'74. And the punishment for every such offence shall not exceed a fine of fifty dollars, or imprisonment for thirty days.

Sec. 2. Justices of the Peace shall also have exclusive original jurisdiction of all such peace warrants and proceedings thereunder, as they shall assume jurisdiction of, and of all bastardy proceedings and issues arising thereunder, and to take bond from defendants in such proceeding, with approved security, as heretofore required by law to be taken in the Superior Courts of this State; and also of all assaults, assaults and batteries, and affrays, where no deadly weapon is used.—And the punishment for the offences enumerated in this section shall not exceed a fine of fifty dollors, or imprisonment for thirty days; and the allowance made to the woman in bastardy proceedings when the putative father admits the paternity of the child, or the issue has been found against him, shall in no case exceed fifty dollars, and the defendant shall also pay a fine of ten dollars, which shall go to the school fund, as heretofore provided by law: *Provided, however,* that Justices of the Peace shall have no jurisdiction over assaults with intent to kill, or assaults with intent to commit rape, except as committing magistrates.

Sec. 3. The party convicted before a Justice shall always be adjudged to pay the costs, and if the party charged shall be acquitted, the complainant shall be adjudged to pay the costs, and may be imprisoned for the non-payment thereof. But in no such case shall the county be liable to pay any such costs.

Sec. 4. The words "imprisonment for one month," wherever used in any of the statute laws of this State, shall be construed to mean 'imprisonment for thirty days,' by all the judges and courts of the State.

Sec. 5. Section six of chapter 176 of the laws of 1873–'74, is hereby repealed.

Sec. 6. Section 111, chapter 32, Battle's Revisal, shall be amended to read as follows: In all cases of an assault with, or without intent to kill, or injure, the person convicted shall not be punished by fine or imprisonment, or both, at the discretion of the court: *Provided,* That where no deadly weapon has been used, and no serious damage done, the punishment in such cases shall not exceed a fine of fifty dollars, or imprisonment for thirty days. But this proviso shall not apply to cases of assaults with intent to kill, or assaults with intent to commit rape.

Sec. 7. Justices of the Peace shall have exclusive original jurisdiction of all criminal matters arising within their counties where the punishment now, or which shall hereafter be prescribed ly law, shall not exceed a fine of fifty dollars, or imprisonment for thirty days.

Sec. 8. Section 119, chapter 33, of Battle's Revisal, is hereby repealed.

Sec. 9. Whenever any person complained of on a peace warrant, shall be brought before a Justice of the Peace, such person may be required to enter into a recognisance, payable to the State of North Carolina, in such sum not exceeding one thousand dollars, as such Justice shall direct, with one or more sufficient sureties, to appear before the court of some Justice of the Peace, within a period not exceeding six months, and not depart the court without leave, and in the meanwhile to keep the peace, and be of good behavior towards all the people of the State, and particularly toward the person requiring such security.

Sec. 10. The party against whom judgment shall be given may appeal to the Superior Court from the same. And the party injured may appeal, if he shall be dissatisfied with the judgment, if he will authorize the Justice to endorse his name upon the warrant as the prosecutor. When an appeal is taken the whole matter shall be heard anew in the Superior Court.

Sec. 11. Nothing in this act shall be construed to prevent the Superior, Inferior and Criminal courts from finally hearing and determining such affrays as shall be committed within one mile of the place, where, and during the time such court is being held; nor shall this act be construed to prevent said courts from assuming jurisdiction of affrays, assaults and batteries, if some Justice of the Peace shall not, within six months after the commision of the offence, have proceeded to take official cognizance of the same.

Sec. 12. This act shall not apply to proceedings now pending in the Superior, Inferior or Criminal courts.

Sec. 13. This act shall be in force from its ratification.

A Beautiful Story.

Coleridge relates a story to this effect: Alexander, during his march into Africa, came to a people dwelling in peaceful huts, who knew neither war nor conquest. Gold being offered him he refused it, saying that his sole object was to learn the manner and customs of the inhabitants. "Stay with us," said the chief, "as long as it pleaseth thee." During this interview with the African chief, two of his subjects brought a case before him for judgment. The dispute was this: The one had bought a piece of ground, which, after the purchase, was found to contain a treasure for which he felt himself bound to pay. The other refused to receive anything, stating that he had sold the ground with what it might be found to contain, apparent or concealed. Said the chief, looking at the one, "You have a son," and to the other, "You have a daughter; let them be married, and the treasure given them as a dowry." Alexander was astonished. "And what," said the chief, "would have been the decision in your country?" "We should have dismissed the parties, and seized the treasure for the King's use." "And does the sun shine in your country?" said the chief; "does the rain fall there? Are there any cattle there which feed upon herbs and green grass?" "Certainly," said Alexander. "Ah," said the chief, "it is for the sake of those innocent cattle that the Great Being permits the sun to shine, the rain to fall and the grass to grow in your country."

Less Talking Needed.—Most persons talk too much. Reform is needed in some quarters. In society silence is held to be ill-mannered, and entertainers and entertained are obliged to keep up the form and sound of conversation. How many persons say things they did not mean because they must talk! Scandal gets wings in this way where there is no malice. Why should there not be a fellowship of looking at pictures, at books, at nature, at one another? What natural necessity is there for the tongue to be the one essential organ of social feeling?

The N. E. *Farmer* says: Within the past year the oldest cow, probably, in New England has been fatted and sold for beef. She was owned by E. L. Metcalf, of Franklin, Mass, and on the day of her sale was within eleven days of being 28 yours old. She was a Jersey, and was giving four quarts of good, rich milk per day. Had given birth to but one bull calf, and all her heifers, with one exception, had been raised by Mr. Metcalf or his neighbors. The last five years she gave milk constantly without breeding. If any of our readers have known of an older cow of equal merit, we should like to hear from them.

Great interest was manifested at Bordentown, N. J., one day last week by the reception and shipment to New York of the largest hogs ever raised in the country. Twenty-four of them averaged 733 pounds, and the largest one weighed 871 pounds.

While the grip of the Republican party grows fainter and fainter, and the hour of complete Democratic ascendency draws near, the public credit steadily improves.

The Pennsylvania agricultural works at York have received orders for steel-ware from the Southern markets, also foreign orders from Brazil, Cape of Good Hope and England. There are 250 men now employed in the works.

The business of taking the census must not be left solely to the Radicals. Those who steal votes will not hesitate to falsify the census.

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Pardon of Senator Patterson.

Ex-Senator Patterson received a letter from the Attorney-General of South Carolina, Attorney-General of South Carolina, Attorney-General of South Carolina,

Postal Arrangements.

Salem, N. C. Post Office Arrangements. Office hours from 7 o'clock, A. M., to 6 P. M., during the week, and on Sunday from 7 to 8 A. M.

TIME OF ARRIVAL AND CLOSING OF MAILS.

RAILROAD, from Greensboro to Salem closes every day, except Sunday at 4.45, p. m. Due every day, except Sunday, by 10:30 a. m.

MOUNT AIRY, via Winston, Old Town, Bethania, Five Forks, Dallon, Pilot Mountain, Flat Shoals and Tom's Creek. Closes every day except Sunday, at 6:30, a. m. Due every day except Sunday, at 6, p. m.

DANBURY, via Winston, Flat Branch, Sedge Garden, Germanton and Walnut Cove. Closes every day except Sunday at 6:30, a. m, Due every day, except Sunday by 5, p. m.

HUNTSVILLE, via Lewisville and Panther Creek. Closes Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 6:30, a. m. Due Tuesday, Thursday and Saturdayby 10, a. m.

RICHMOND HILL, via Mount Tabor, Vienna, Red Plains and East Bend. Closes Monday and Friday at 6:30 a. m. Due Tuesday and Saturday by 2, p. m.

FULTON, via Friedberg, Advance and Clemmonsville, closes every Friday, at 6:30, A. M. Due every Saturday, by 8, A. M.

H. W. SHORE, P. M.

LOCAL ITEMS.

YADKIN COURT this week.

FARMERS are busy plowing.

HORSE for sale—see notice.

APRICOT trees are blooming.

READ the Great Exhibition ad.

STREETS are disagreeably dusty.

EASTER MONDAY—next big holiday.

IRISH POTATOES retail at 50 cents.

'SPRING TIME has come, Gentle Annie.'

WM. GRUNERT has charge of the town clock.

CAPT. MAST'S health is improving, we are pleased to hear.

TABLEAUXS are soon to be given for benefit of the Presbyterian Church.

L. A. BRIETZ is administrator of the estate of Miss L. L. Brietz, deceased.—See notice.

BOUNCE NETS along the Yadkin are beginning to yield good supplies of fish.

THE masons are laying the foundation of B. F. Crosland's new dwelling.

L. E. BUTNER and family now dwell on depot street, adjoining C. Tavis.

PEACH TREES are budding nigh to bursting.

VIOLETS and crocuses have another fragrant partner—the blooming hyacinth.

MASON work on each side of the Mineral Spring having frozen, needs repair.

JNO. SCHOTT has purchased at private sale the lots on Marshal Street.

OUR worthy old friend J. D. Tavis, and lady, have removed to High Point.

TWO good rooms to rent. Apply to
Mrs. P. E. BOWEN.

THE President of Citizen's Reading Club announces a meeting at the Rooms, Friday evening, at 7½ o'clock.

THE Planet Saturn will be in conjunction with the sun the 26th and cannot be seen.

DAVIE COUNTY will distill more whisky this year, it is thought, than was ever known before.

SUNDAY 3 weeks is Palm Sunday and the commencement of the interesting meetings of Passion Week.

WHEAT is not of a very thrifty appearance. Cold and wet weather did much towards thinning the stand.

THE decision in the case of Mathes and Humphrey has been affirmed by a recent decision of the Supreme Court.

THE WEEPING WILLOW, although emblematic of sorrow, is first to assume the welcoming mantle of green.

SENATOR EVERETT was telegraphed for Tuesday, to hasten home, on account of very serious sickness of his child.

HAPPY HILL has a literary turn of mind. A debating club is a recent organization 'mong de colored folks there.

THE soft-winged doves have commenced their plaintive cooing in the adjacent groves.

CONSOLIDATION bill has passed the Legislature. A vote by Salem and Winston will decide the question.

BEADS MOUNT close of school attracted many from town and vicinity, Saturday, the exercises being interesting and giving general satisfaction.

THE DANBURY REPORTER of March 6, has the name of Moses J. Stewart as editor, with a sensible salutatory, and well arranged columns throughout.

PLEASANT FORK.—We learn that the closing exercises of Pleasant Fork School, on Saturday last, passed off very well.

Mr. [illegible] of Winston has [illegible] relief from the hammer's license tax of $1, for selling goods by sample.

REV. MEBANE, of Mebanesville, N. C., will conduct services in the Presbyterian Church Friday evening, Saturday, and Sunday.

ORDINATION services will be held in the Moravian Church Sunday morning, at 10 a. m. Two candidates are to be received into the ministry.

Elder J. S. DAMERON of the Primitive Baptist faith, held forth in the Baptist Church, Wednesday. Mr. Dodson discoursed in the same place Sunday night.

THE new bridge over Muddy Creek two miles from Kernersville, has been completed, costing about $40. It was constructed by an order of the County Commissioners.

JNO. BROWN has left Allen's Hardware establishment and engaged his services to Messrs. Brown & Vaughn, who will start a similar business about the 20th inst.

THE Yosper Reading Club has been revived. Their meetings are held alternate at the homes of the members, and is a very pleasant as well as profitable way to spend an evening.

WAUGHTOWN'S String Band passed up town Saturday, on the way to Shady Mount close of school. They have a tasty turnout. But we cant say a word about their music, as they passed by us in silence.

REUBEN CHITTY reports a penitentiary costume found in a fence corner of the Siddall field East of town, near the R. R. It is supposed that some escaped convict changed his apparel there, for a less attractive rig.

OYSTER SUPPER.—The members of the Baptist Church request us to announce an Oyster Supper, to be given in Tise's Hall, Tuesday evening.—18th. It is held in behalf of a worthy cause and the public patronage is respectfully solicited.

SWEET sounds filled the night air on several occasions the past week. To the Cornets, Prof. Agthe's Double Quartette No. 1, and a company of amateur performers on violin, guitar, etc., are we indebted for the treat.

DAVIE COUNTY sets a worthy example. In certain sections the township no-fence law is agreed upon and works advantageously. A line of fence is built by those living within the district, as a boundary, and no cattle permitted to run at large therein.

NORTHERN fur dealers are beginning to send agents through the country to purchase the winter's supply of furs.—This article of traffic is quoted at exceedingly low rates, the only variety retaining an average price being the rabbit. They bring 30 cts. per dozen.

HOME AGAIN.—Wm. J. Conrad, son of E. A. Conrad, Esq., returned home last week, from Philadelphia, where he had been attending Pennsylvania Dental College and graduated with high honors, we are pleased to state.

THERE will be a meeting of the Fair Ground Company at the Court House, on Thursday evening next, at 7½ o'clock. The business men of Salem and Winston and all interested, are earnestly requested to attend, as business of importance will be transacted.

MR. GLIDEON bid his many friends farewell last week and left for South Carolina, where he will make his home in the future. His last words, as the train moved off, were, "My frens don't forget Boss Allen when eber you want anything in de Hardware line cheap."

PRUNING KNIFE.—Jno. W. Griffith has shown us a pruning knife of superior quality, and works with power and ease. Persons wishing individual rights can obtain them by calling on or addressing Jno. W. Griffith, at his home near this place, or by addressing him at Salem, N. C.

THE Boston Mendelssohn Quintette Club will be here in May. It is certain that they will give two Concerts in the Chapel of Salem Female Academy. Every lover of good music should embrace this opportunity to hear the best American Musical Combination. We bespeak for the company an enthusiastic reception in this place.

CALVIN HAUSER has a valuable hen. She lays the average number of eggs, but three out of each week's laying are of a larger size, double yolked, and if set hatch two chicks. With the exception of Jack of the Bean Stalk's wonderful bird, she eclipses anything we have ever heard or read of.

FIRE COMPANY.—The following is a list of officers elected at a meeting held Saturday evening:

Captain.—H. T. Chorse.
1st *Lieutenant.*—N. T. Shore.
2nd " Jno. Schott.
Secretary.—Jno. Shultz.
Ass't Secretary.—G. H. Rights.
Engineer.—T. H. Kerr.

CHEW Jackson's Best Sweet Navy Tobacco.

WE learn that a new road is proposed to run from Mr. Brietz's lane crossing the old Cape Fear road intersecting the Greensboro road. This might be continued to the Shallowford road without much trouble, and we hope the farmers through whose land it will pass, will give the right of way freely. Good roads build up towns, and bad roads drive point blank.

WE regret to learn that A. H. S. Beard, of Kernersville, came very near meeting with a serious accident a few days since. A son of his was cutting down a tree, and as it fell, struck his head and pressed it against a log. Fortunately it lodged against another tree and thus saved his life. As it was he received only a few bruises.

As "an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure."

We all that adage should follow.
For by following it well we will be sure,
In the end to save many a dollar.
Then go to Smith's Drug Store, where you will find.
Medicines that will prevent diseases of all kind.

WE are pleased to copy the following tribute to our townsman, Prof Lineback, from the Williamston (S. C.,) *Temperance Standard*:

"Prof. E. W. Lineback, Salem, N. C., is in our village, giving our citizens an excellent opportunity to have their musical instruments put in thorough order as well as in perfect tune. He is renovating all the pianos at the Female College, and Prof Lauder speaks of his work in the very highest terms. Our people will secure their real interest by giving him all their work in this line."

THE Smoke-House of Harrison Byerly was entered Saturday afternoon while the family were at Shady Mount, and 10 pieces of meat stolen. Entry was effected by digging a hole under the house and the meat was handed out through an aperture made by removing some chincking on one side of the building.

In former years the penalty for horse stealing was death. We would not favor so severe a punishment for robbing smoke-houses but suggest that something more rigid than penitentiary and jail punishment be instituted. The raids are becoming too frequent.

HAND WOVE TWEEDS AND CASSIMERES.—We have examined several samples of gray and black Tweeds and Cassimeres suitable for summer wear, woven by C. A. Aker, on his hand loom. They compare favorably with any similar goods in this market and are offered at reasonable prices. The black, all wool, Cassimeres struck our fancy as being the neatest, and as cool and airy as the popular navy blue flannel.

Home enterprise should be fostered at all times, and we hope the industry of Mr. Aker will meet with sufficient encouragement to establish the business permanently among us.

SEEDS, &c.—Clover Seed, 500 bushels, Timothy, Orchard Grass, Hord's Grass, Golden Millet, Kentucky Blue Grass, Sapling Clover Seed, and Early Rose Seed Potatoes on hand.

Are receiving 200 bushels Seeds this week; and are receiving 5,000 bags Allison & Addison's Star Brand Tobacco Manure.

Also receiving NEW DRY GOODS and GROCERIES. Sugar 8½ cts lb., coffee 12½ cts. lb. Other goods as low. Come and see us. Opposite Piedmont Warehouse, Winston, N. C.
HINSHAW BROTHERS.
March 11, 1877. 1t.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.—This body, composed of the Board of County Commissioners, convened Monday.

It was ordered that the Chairman and Treasurer meet on Friday, March 14th, and be authorized to act in capacity of the Board. The chairman will then and there examine the books and vouchers of the Treasurer.

S. H. Everett was appointed County School Examiner for the ensuing year, and is requested to appear before the Board at next meeting, 1st Monday in April.

Ordered that no school committee shall employ a teacher for free schools until he has produced his certificate, properly signed by the County Examiner.

T. J. Valenting was paid $29 for service as County Commissioner up to date, and T. J. Wilson allowed and paid $14 for same.

Ordered that Mr. — Vann be allowed $2 per month or go to the poor house.—Mrs. Hardy was paid $5.50 for boarding the same.

Col. White was engaged to inclose the colored county graveyard, in Liberty, with a plank fence, at as little expense as possible.

Ordered that Col. White collect one dollar from each person interested in said grave yard, the same to be applied for keeping up the same. Also ordered that application be made to him, when any person is to be interred therein.

On further business the Board of Education or Commissioners, the meeting was adjourned to meet again on the 1st Monday in April.

A CARD.

Any persons in Salem having Watches or Jewelry to be repaired, will please hand them to Mr. Wm. Grunert or myself, as we pass, or leave them with Mr. J. Blickenderfer, at the Notion Store, who has kindly offered to receive them. We will call daily for them, repair them, and return them.
Respectfully,
WM. T. VOGLER.
Feb. 20, 1879.-3-4t

DRIED GRAPES FOR SALE. Enquire at the Bookstore.

THE MARKETS.

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WHOLESALE AND RETAIL MERCHANTS.

PRODUCE.

Wheat, $1.00 to $1.10; Corn, 45; Rye, 50 to 60; Oats, 30; Flaxseed, 85; Feathers, (new) 40; Eggs, 8; Beeswax, 22; Flour, $3 50 to $4 25; Meal, per lb., 1½c; Bacon, 5 to 6; Lard, 8; Peas, 50; Raw Cotton, 8; Wool, 30 a 35; Tallow, 7. Mountain Kit Butter 6 to 8.

STAPLE GOODS.

Sugars, Brown 7½ to 8½; White, 10 to 12½ Coffee, Rio, 12½ to 18; Extra Fancy, 20; Yarns, 85; Sheeting 6 to 7; Plaids, 8½ to 9; Soda, 5; Kerosene Oil, per gallon, 18; Syrup, per gallon, 25; Salt, per sack, $1 10, $1 15, $1 25, $2 00. Sole Leather, 20 to 25.

The above represents wholesale prices. Retail prices are higher, except for salt.

Winston Tobacco Market.

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NEW CROP		
Lugs, Green	$1 50 to	$2 00
" Common	2 25 to	3 00
" Good Red	3 00 to	4 00
" Bright com	3 50 to	4 00
" good	6 00 to	8 80
" fine	8 00 to	10 00
" fancy	10 00 to	15 00
Leaf Common	3 00 to	4 00
" Red	5 00 to	8 00
" Common Bright	4 00 to	5 00
Bright thin leaf	10 00 to	14 00
" Good	7 00 to	10 00
Wrappers, Good Red	10 00 to	15 00
" Common Bright	12 00 to	15 00
" Red and Colory	25 00 to	30 00
" Fine and Waxy	35 00 to	50 00
" Fancy	50 00 to	65 00
Mahogany as per quality	18 00 to	40 00

CHARLOTTE, Mar. 6.—Flour $2 65 a $3 00. Wheat 100. Corn 50 a 00. Oats 00 a 40. Bacon 5½ a 6. Potatoes, 40 a 75.

FAYETTEVILLE, Mar. 6.—Bacon 8 a 9. Apple Brandy $1 75. Flour $4 50 a $5 00. Corn 53 a 55. Oats 50 a 55. Wheat 1 00 a $1 10. Lard, 8 a 9. Potatoes, 1 25 a 0 00. Whisky $2 00.

NEW YORK, Mar. 10.—Flour 4 00 a 5 00. Wheat 1 00 a $1 12. Corn 43 a 47. Oats 27 a 28.

BALTIMORE, Mar. 10.—Wheat $1 00 a $1 10. Corn 44 a 46. Oats 30 a 32. Flour $3 50 a $5 10. Bacon, 5 a 6½.

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L. A. BRIETZ,
March 8th, 1879. Administrator.

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THOS. B. LASH, } *Administrators of*
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W. A. LEMLY, }
May 10, 1878-4t.

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Winston, N. C., Feb. 20, 1879.-8-6m.

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Having qualified as Administrator on the estate of Nancy Huff, deceased, on the 4th day of March, 1879, NOTICE is hereby given to all persons indebted to the estate of the said Nancy Huff to make immediate payment and settlement, or the claims will be put in the hands of an officer for collection. And all persons having claims against said estate will exhibit them to me on or before the 6th day of March, 1880, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery.
N. S. COOK.
March 6, 1879. 6t. *Public Adm'r of Forsyth Co.*

NOTICE.

FORSYTH COUNTY:
Having qualified as Administrator on the estate of Michael Holder, on the 12th day of February, 1879, NOTICE is hereby given to all persons indebted to the estate of the said Michael Holder, to make immediate payment and settlement, or their claims will be put in the hands of an officer for collection. And all persons having claims against said estate will present them to me, on or before the 20th day of February, 1880, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery.
N. S. COOK,
Public Adm'r of Forsyth County.
Feb. 20th, 1879.

NOTICE.

FORSYTH COUNTY:
Having qualified as Administrator on the estate of Leodocia Harper, on the 12th day of February, 1879, NOTICE is hereby given to all persons indebted to the estate of the said Leodocia Harper, to make immediate payment and settlement, or the claims will be put in the hands of an officer for collection. And all persons having claims against said estate, will present them to me on or before the 20th day of February, 1880, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery.
N. S. COOK,
Public Adm'r of Forsyth County,
February 20th, 1879.

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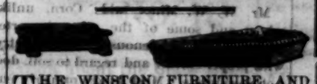

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How baneful to ambition's eye
The blood-wrung spoils must gleam,
When death's uplifted hand is nigh,
His life a banished dream.
Then hear him with his gasping breath,
For one poor moment crave:
Fool, would thou stay the hand of death,
Ask of thy gold to save!

No, no, the soul ne'er found relief
In glittering hoards of wealth,
Gems dazzle not the eye of grief,
Gold cannot purchase health:
But here a blessed calm appears,
To heal the deepest woe,
And he who seeks this book in tears,
His tears shall cease to flow.

Here He who died on Calvary's tree,
Hath made that promise blest,
"Ye heavy laden come to me,
And I will give you rest,
A bruised reed I will not break,
A contrite heart despise,
My burden's light, and all who take
My yoke, shall reach the skies."

Yes, yes, this little book is worth
All else to mortals given;
For what are all the joys of earth
Compared to joys of Heaven?
This is the guide our Father gave,
To lead to realms of day;
A star whose lustre gilds the grave—
The light—the truth—the way."

HUMOROUS.

How He Cured a Smoky Chimney.

Yesterday, as a citizen was helping a tin smith to elevate a smokejack to the roof of an addition on the windy side of the house, preparatory to hoisting it atop of a smoking chimney, an old man with a ragged bundle under his arm came along, halted, and soon became interested.

"That chimney smokes, don't it?" he finally inquired.

"It's the worst one in town," replied the citizen.

"And you want to stop the nuisance, do you?"

"Yes, I do."

"And you think that smoke-jack will do it?"

"I hope so."

"Well, now, I kin stop that smoking in ten minutes, and wont hurt the chimbly nor put up any smoke-jacks," continued the old man as he carefully laid his bundle down.

"If you'll do it I'll give you five dollars," rejoined the citizen, who disliked the idea of disfiguring his chimney with the clumsy jack.

"Kin I have the kitchen for five minutes?" asked the man.

The cook was instructed to vacate and the old man took possession. Removing the top of the stove he poured in enough water to put out every spark of fire. Then going out he called to the citizen on the roof.

"Has she stopped smoking?"

"Well, I don't see any smoke at all," was the reply; "what have you done?"

While he was coming down the ladder, the old man made off, eating a pie he had taken from the oven. The last half he had to bolt down while on the run, but at no time during the race did the citizen, tin smith or servant girl get within twenty yards of him.

How Franklin was Cured.

Somebody has brought out the following interesting reminiscence:

"When Benjamin Franklin was a lad he began to study philosophy, and soon became fond of applying technical names to common objects. One evening when he had mentioned to his father that he had swallowed some acepalous mollusk, the old man was much alarmed, and suddenly seizing him, called loudly for help. Mrs. Franklin came with warm water, and the hired man rushed in with the garden pump. They forced half a gallon down Benjamin's throat and then held him by the heels over the edge of the porch and shook him, while the old man said: "If we don't get them things out of Benny he will be pizened sure." When they were out, and Benjamin explained that the articles referred to were oysters, his father fondled him for an hour with a trunk strap for scaring the family. Ever afterwards Franklin's language was marvellously simple and explicit."

A Bad Remedy.

A man of property, who had for years been abusing his stomach, at last found his health on a rapid decline. Nature could endure it no longer. He went to consult the celebrated Dr. Spring, of Watertown, Mass. He stated the symptoms of his case so clearly, that the learned physician could not mistake the nature of the disease.

"I can cure you, sir," said he, "if you will follow my advice."

The patient promised most implicitly to do so.

"Now," says the doctor, "you must steal a horse."

"What! steal a horse?"

"Yes, you must steal a horse; you will then be arrested, convicted, and placed in a situation where your diet and *regimen* will be such that in a short time your health will be perfectly restored.

A Danbury boy of a pugnacious turn was taken to task by his mother for striking his companion. She told him he must ask the forgiveness of the wronged one. He went up to him, having his back to his mother, and whispered through his clenched teeth: "I've got to ask you to forgive me for hitting you, and you'd better speak right up at once that you do, or I'll give you something to remember."

A five year-old daughter stood watching her baby brother who was making a great fuss over having his face washed. The little miss at length lost her patience, and stamping her tiny foot, said, "You think you have lots of trouble, but you don't know anything about it. Wait till you're big enough to get a lickin', and then you'll see—won't he, mamma?"

"Do you know that I think Mrs. G. a very mean woman?" said Mrs. Smith, the other day. "That's precisely the opinion I heard her express of you," rejoined the friend.

When a Chinaman makes love to a white girl he doesn't rave about his heart pants for her, etc. No, he simply tells her he loves her better than rats, and she believes him.

A gentleman having occasion to praise a kind-hearted Irish woman for her good deeds, said to her: "Well, well, if there is a heaven in the next world you will get to it." As quick as lightning came the reply, with all the heartiness of the race: "God bless ye, Mr. P——, an' sure if I do, I'll have the gate open for you."

AGRICULTURAL.

Varieties of Corn.

The Virginia *Southern Planter and Farmer* contains the discussion of a Farmer's Club on Corn and Corn Planting, from which we extract the following:

The subject for discussion being, "The best Variety of Corn, Time of Planting, and Method of Cultivation," &c., was considered.

Mr. W. W. Minor said: Corn, unlike wheat and some of the other imported grains, being indigenous to the country, with proper culture and regard to soil, does not degenerate. Most kinds, properly cultivated do well, but prefers the twin variety, which took the premium at our County Society before the war—and he has preserved its superiority by selecting only twin ears for seed. It is early, so that the land can be sown in wheat at the proper time. It weighs well, and seems to have the faculty of waiting for the season better than other varieties; has an average sized ear and percentage of husk, and rather a tall, large stalk. Nature does not often permit a large ear from a small stalk; does not like the large-eared and cobbed variety, as it cannot be housed with safety. Considers 20th of April early enough for planting high land, and from the 5th to the 20th May early enough for low grounds; prefers shallow planting. It is not material whether level or ridge culture is practiced, but thinks the old system the most economical way of working corn, viz: at first working, run bar of turning plow next to the corn, then chop and thin; at next working, throw the dirt back to the corn with the same plow; when on ordinary clean land the corn will need no further working. It should be cut and shocked when the shuck is a little brown. Thinks early fall plowing tends to prevent bore-worm, but has never found an effectual remedy; has suffered more from their ravages on tobacco than on corn. By all means plant an early variety, so as to be able to plant Fultz wheat by the 20th September and the white varieties by the 1st October.

Mr. E. Thurman advocated an early variety of corn. Thinks shallow planting has much diminished injury from bore-worm, and frequent cultivation will destroy them.

Mr. S. W. Ficklin tried deep planting; did not like it; the corn did not stand well, and was hard to work; preferred running a coulter shovel ahead of the planter, to thoroughly pulverize the land under the corn; thorough cultivation is necessary, and unless the land is pretty good, the best way to raise it was to collect money from other sources to buy it.

George Minor had tried gas tar against worms and birds, but without success; preferred yellow corn for very poor land, had made two barrels per acre where the white would not grow.

W. W. Minor, Jr., likewise favored yellow corn on very poor land; it stands drought better.

Dr. Schackelford strongly favored early corn. One of his neighbors, as an experiment, had tried the large white, late variety, and was so much disgusted with the result that he swept his corn house to prevent the contamination of the next crop.

Harrowing Drilled Wheat.

An English farmer writing to the *Coudtry Gentleman* on this subject says:

"Harrowing wheat is just now exciting some attention as a comparatively new practice in American farming. As long ago as I can remember (some forty years) it was a common custom in the best wheat-growing districts of England. It requires some discretion as to the time and manner of application, and where sound judgment is intelligently applied there need be no misapprehension as to the results. The best time seems to be as early in the spring as the harrow will work properly, and not bury the young wheat, but never after the wheat has outgrown its grassy condition. A heavy harrow, and even a smoothing harrow, are neither of them the best harrow for wheat at any time or season. Light harrows, with well-pointed small teeth thickly set, are always more effectual for shaking out the seedling weeds and lightening up the surface soil, than any other. There is a great deal more in the teeth being kept well-pointed than in the shape or make of the harrow, and the whole frame-work and substance should be so light that an active team can give that peculiar wavy, undulating motion which is always so effective. There may be conditions of land where a heavy harrow would be beneficial, but they are not frequently found in a well-tilled wheat field. I have always found the best result to follow either from direct or diagonal harrowing across the drills, particularly after the horse or hand-hoe has been used. It must be remembered that harrowing wheat is more beneficial immediately after the hoe than at another period. By crossing the drills, every particle of soil is moved, and almost every weed is extirpated.

The best harrow I have seen or used for either harrowing wheat or any other grain, or for covering grass, or any small seeds, is known in English farming as Phillips' lever or extirpating harrow. It consists merely of a set of teeth, which can be attached to any ordinary wheel horse-rake, by substituting them for the rake teeth. Each tooth is about three inches in length, and there are three on each arm, arranged in a triangle, so that every tooth is bound to a separate track, and cannot follow its neighbor. One great advantage in this harrow is that each lever arm, with its three teeth, is suspended independently to its neighbor, and can be raised separately, and any obstruction falls from it. When turning at the ends or headlands, the whole of the teeth are lifted from the ground, and no damage is done to the tenderest crop. I have used this harrow to great advantage even in young turnips, running directly across the drills. Indeed, whenever a light harrow is wanted, it is superior to any implement I have seen, either European or American. In point of economy it is second to none, as any one running a horse-rake can use the frames without any alteration for the lever harrow.

While on the subject of harrowing grain, let me observe that there are occasions when the ordinary horse-rake can be used with greater advantage as a cultivator than any harrow yet invented.

[We publish the above that our readers may see the improvements going on in the culture of small grain. Harrowing wheat sown broadcast, is also generally admitted to have a beneficial effect.]

Sandy loams are best adapted to grain growing, as a general rule, while grass, either as meadow or pasture, flourishes well on clayey soils. This should be regarded in making selections.

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